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these mines, with the incidental  
area and petroleum springs, were  
to be exploited, there would  
such a trade that the available  
sers and junks would hardly be  
to carry it all. A gold mining  
pany was organized in 1896 in this  
pce (Szechuan) by a Chinaman  
a Tong, who studied mining in  
ited States. He got the sanc-  
the viceroy to buy machinery,  
the people petitioned the latter  
to stop the work. Samples of  
from the mines had been shown  
the viceroy, and the petition was  
anted. Szechuan has a popula-  
tarily equal to that of France,  
area about as great.

It is urged that commercial museums, exhibiting samples of American manufacturers, ought to be established in Canton, Shanghai, Tientsin, and Nankow. There is such a museum already at Caracas, Venezuela, with comparatively little to gain. We ought to have a newspaper in China, subsidized by American merchants, in connection with which would be provided commercial showrooms and an information bureau. The advertisements alone would pay for the paper, which must be an up-to-date daily, with all the latest American news. The paper would give to the Chinaman information about our goods, and the people at home would obtain from its columns the freshest intelligence

One suggestion offered is that one or more vessels might be equipped as floating expeditions and sent to visit various ports in China and elsewhere in the orient, in order to show the natives samples of the various manufactures of the United States. This would be a convenient and comparatively cheap method of bringing American products before the expected consumers. Every available scheme pointing to this end is well worth considering inasmuch as this country is to be no longer a "hermit nation."

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